Pre-work Questionnaire

Mission Requirements and Constraints

Mission Constraints		
Investigation Name	Lightweight Rainfall Radiometer	
Target Mission Class	Earth Science If Other, please describe:	
Target Lifecycle Cost Range		
Operational Lifetime Requirement	5 years	
Operational Lifetime Goal	7 years	
Launch Vehicle(s)	Pegasus XL (one per LV) and/or Taurus (2 per LV)	
Launch Site	Vandenburg AFB	
Other		
Miscellaneous Mission R	equirements	
Safety Requirements		
Contamination Requirements		
Mission Reliability Class/Redundancy Philosophy	Selected Redundancy to achieve mission life (Class B)	
Mission Technology Goals (If Any)	None	
Sensitivities (Radiation, Environment)		
Would You Like Us to Check for Rapid Spacecraft Development Office Compatibility?	• Yes C No	

Schedule Milestones		
Phase A Completion	2002	
Phase B Completion	2004	
Instrument Delivery	2006	
Launch	2007 (all 3 satellites operational)	
Other		

Science Overview

Scie	Science Matrix			
	Mission Objective	Performance Drivers	Priority Level (1 = Highest)	
1	Provide enough sampling to reduce uncertainty in short-term rainfall accumulations; significant impact on weather prediction and data assimilation	A total of 8 small satellites to provide 3-hour revisit time; Sun-synchronous polar orbit at about 600 km; 3-5 satellites supplied by US/NASA; remainder provided through international & DOD partnerships	1	
2	Immediate societal impact to crop yield estimates, water resources, short-term rain forecasts, etc.			
3	Accurate time-averaged estimation of precipitation for climate studies			
4	Severe weather/hurricanes can be monitored on a global basis			
5	Frequent estimates of precipitation to complement future direct estimates of soil moisture			

Mission Architecture

Mission Architecture (Please specify Units for each response)			
	Instrument #1	Instrument #2	Instrument #3
Instrument Name	LRR (Lightweight Rainfall Radiometer)		
Type and Description (Spectrometer, Camera,etc.)	Real Aperture Radiometer (37.0 and 85.5 GHz) Synthetically Thinned Array Radiometer(STAR) (10.7 GHz)		
Targets and Measurements/Inst rument Modes of Operation	Global rainfall measurement with 3-hour revisit time		
Heritage & Maturity	IIP/TRL 7 by 2003		
Unknowns/Issues/ Concerns			

Mission Characteristics

Mission Characteristics & Operations Concept			
Mission Overview	Global rainfall measurement with 3-hour revisit time		
Mission Time Lines (Include Tip-off Rates)	Continuous Observation Schedule		
Orbit			
Orbit type		LEO Circular	
Altitude (km)		600 Km	
Inclination (degrees)		Sun synchronous	
Orbit knowledge (m)		~100m (GPS Off-the-Shelf)	

Observatory Pointing			
Type (nadir, stellar, other)	Nadir Earth Observ	Nadir Earth Observing	
Primary observation(s) description	Global rainfall mea	surement	
Observation(s) duration	Continuous		
Secondary target(s) description			
Observation(s) duration			
Control System Type:	3 Axis Stabilized	•	
Boresight Pointing Accuracy	R/P/Y 0.1 deg 3 sig	ma (TBD, 0.3 deg max)	
Boresight Pointing Knowledge	R/P/Y 0.1 deg 3 sig	ma	
Other Axes Pointing Accuracy	SC allocation is R/I 0.2 deg max)	SC allocation is R/P/Y 0.07 deg 3 sigma (TBD, 0.2 deg max)	
Other Axes Knowledge	SC allocation is R/I	P/Y 0.07 deg 3 sigma	
Stability	0.1 deg/0.71 sec (peak to peak) SC allocation 0.07 deg/0.71 sec (peak to peak)		
		Angle of Avoidance (degrees)	
	Sun	Cold Space View	
	□ Earth		
Avoidance	□ Moon		
	None		
	Other (Please Explain)		
Slew Requirements	Possible rollover for deep space view calibration		
Slew Rate (degrees/minute)			
Timing Requirements	1 PPS provided by spacecraft (GPS grade accuracy)		

Other Observing Requirements				
Ground to Observatory Interaction				
Maximum Operating Time Without Ground Intervention	3 days or more (TBD)			
Calibration Modes that Require Ground Interventions				
Acceptable Delay Between On-orbit Observation by Instrument and Availability of Performance Data for Evaluation Purposes	3 hours from observation to science processing complete per previous IMDC Analysis			
Scientific Events that Require Change in Instrument Observations by Ground Intervention	None			
Acceptable Delay Between Event and Ground Intervention				
Frequency of Science Events	Continuous observations			
Coordination of Operations With Other Observatories Required By Ground Intervention	Yes No If yes, Please Explain:			
Contact Time				
Frequency Allocation (if known)				
Downlink Constraints, if any (S, X, Ka, etc)				
Ground Station Limitations, if any				
TDRSS an Option?	Yes No If yes, Please Explain: Multiple Access			

Instrument Data Volume and Data Processing				
Instrument 1 Instrument 2 Instrument 3				
Name	LRR			
Event Rate	Continuous			

Bits/Event			
Peak Rate	86 kbps, margin included		
Daily Data Rate (Includes Instrument Engineering, Science and Data Formatting Overhead)			
Type of Encoding Required			
Acceptable Compression by S/C	Some Lossless Compression Possible		
Downlink Rate, If Known			
Uplink Rate, If Known			
Any Requirement to Generate a Quick Look Data Set	C Yes No If Yes, Please Explain:	C Yes No If Yes, Please Explain:	C Yes No If Yes, Please Explain:
Acceptable Delay Time From Observation to Delivery of Quick Look Data Set			
Instrument Real Time Data Needs (Include Any Playback)	86 kbps, margin included (direct broadcast)		
Acceptable Data Loss(%) - Bit Error Rate			

General operations		
S/C on Board Storage Required	• Yes No	
	If Yes, Please Explain:	

	Sufficient to hold 2 orbits of data at EOL
S/C To Instrument Data Requirements (ACS Data, Orbit Data Points, Nodal Crossings etc.) Please note which are real time.	
Level of Autonomy	
Ground Station Preference (If Any)	
Unknown/Issues/Concerns	
Other Mission Requirements	
Please Enter	

Instruments

Instruments				
	Instrument 1	Instrument 2	Instrument 3	
Instrument Name	LRR			
Instrument Operati	ons Concepts			
Instrument Pointin Instrument Description)	g and Science Data and	Operations same as Obse	rvatory. (Go directly to	
Observation Duration				
Boresight Pointing Accuracy				
Boresight Pointing Knowledge				
Other Axes Pointing				
Other Axes Knowledge				
Stability				
New Technologies				

Other Operational Requirements				
Science Data and Operations				
Sensor Data and Operations				
Timing				
Event Rate				
Minimum Response Time to Event				
Bits/Event				
Peak Rate				
Test Rate				
Unknown/Issues/Con cerns				
Instrument(s) Description				
Mechanical				
Mass	49.25 kg (w/ 25% contingency)			
Center Of Gravity, If Known				
Volume (h x l x w)	Please see attached			
Science Field of View	Nadir +- 45 degrees			
Thermal Field of View				
Calibration Field of View	RAR: Anti-solar, 4 deg			
Other Fields of View				
Mechanical Accommodations: (Interfaces,	See attached			

Neighbors, Jitter etc.)				
Electrical				
Data Interface, If Known	1553			
Peak Power (@ 28V)	71 Watts (includes 25% contingency)			
Orbit Average Power (@ 28V)	71 Watts (includes 25% contingency)			
Standby Power (@ 28V)				
Thermal				
Thermal Interface Requirements	Isolated from S/C 1 degree C across instrument plate Operating Temperature Range 20 C (+/- 1 C) Survival Temperature Range 5 - 40 C			
Issues Other - Acoustics/Magnetics/Emissions				
Please Specify	Avoid harmonics of: 10.7, 37.0 and 85.5 GHz Swath width 1349 km			

Miscellaneous

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Products			

Trades	Consider fit of optimum science model in Pegasus XL Consider dual launch approach to same orbit with 180 deg phasing
Issues/Concerns	